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- 25X1 1. The work force is 1,200, of whom 35 percent are women.
2. The general director is named Csato (fnu), an old Communist, about 50 years old, not very bright. The technical head is Engineer Bago (fnu), another long-time Communist who lived in the USSR until 1945 and got his diploma there. The Party secretary is Janos Stiel, about 40 years old.
3. All military equipment produced is of the Soviet model and according to drawings coming from the USSR. Nothing but military equipment is now being produced.
4. Production consists of air-defense range finding instruments, fire control instruments, electrical fuse-setting instruments for AA work, mobile radar apparatus, range finders for mortars, theodolites, binoculars, compasses, and various other precision instruments.
5. Optical lenses and prisms utilized by Gamma, come from East Germany.
6. Large castings come from outside the factory. The old foundry installation was dismantled by the Russians in 1945 and carried off, and although a new one was completed in 1949, it can only handle small castings.
7. The pay of a helper is 800 to 1,000 forints, of a worker 1,500 to 1,600 forints, of a master worker up to 3,000 forints.
8. The percentage of rejects reaches as high as 25 to 30. This is caused by the too-rapid work tempo under the quotas. Statistical production is more important than accuracy. In spite of this the current production at the factory is well below

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that in the past. An effort to rectify this condition has been made by a regulation that workers will not be paid for time spent in producing rejected articles, and will be charged for the materials used in them.

9. In place of the Gamma-Juhász antiaircraft fire control instrument formerly produced by the factory, it is now turning out a Russian model which is heavier and more complicated.
10. The factory guard consists of 30 men.

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